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BEECH AIRCRAFT President Jack Braly last week asked the House Ways and Means Committee to expedite passage of an economic recovery bill. "The mere mention of changing the tax laws creates a 'wait and see' attitude among our customers. Clearly, an industry shipping only 1,021 airplanes a year cannot wait," he said. The House Ways and Means Committee, which held three days of hearings on the U.S. economy, heard testimony for the first time on luxury tax repeal. Chairman Dan Rostenkowski (D-Ill.) last year was said to have refused hearings on the subject. *(See related article below.)*

GEN. JERRY CURRY's chances of becoming FAA administrator appear to be diminishing with each passing day. Curry, who underwhelmed aviation industry officials during a get-acquainted meeting in December, reportedly was told by Deputy DOT Secretary James Busey to resign his current post as head of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Curry's nomination as FAA administrator is awaiting a vote in the Senate, but a hold on the nomination is still in place. *(See related article on Page 59.)*

NATIONAL BUSINESS AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION has completed the first round of interviews of candidates for the association's presidency, and officials say they're pleased with the quality of the candidates. NBAA is seeking someone who "has a pilot's license or equivalent" but a report that the successful candidate must have experience as a chief pilot or flight department manager is not true, officials said. The association is seeking someone with "direct managerial experience in the aviation industry" that is applicable to running an association like NBAA. Selection of a new president is anticipated within the next 30 to 60 days, about in line with the time frame originally spelled out *(BA, Dec. 9/227)*. In the interim, John Winant, president emeritus, continues to oversee operations at NBAA's Washington headquarters while serving as counselor to the chairman.

EMBRY-RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY is expected to announce a major order for small aircraft this month for use in the school's flight training curriculum. The university has held discussions with French manufacturer Aerospatiale and American General Aircraft Corp. of Greenville, Miss., which may end up splitting the multi-year procurement *(BA, Nov. 4/179)*.

BRALY ASKS HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS TO CONSIDER LUXURY TAX REPEAL, ITC ENACTMENT

Beech Aircraft President Jack Braly last week told the House Ways and Means Committee that government policy "has been a major contributor to the decline in the industry" and urged committee members to consider repealing the 10 percent luxury tax and reinstituting the investment tax credit. Braly, who testified on behalf of the General Aviation Manufacturers Association during hearings on the status of the U.S. economy, said the aircraft luxury tax "has completely missed the mark of its intended purpose and brought further damage to general aviation."

He cited a Price Waterhouse study that verified that Beech lost 61 sales in the first three quarters of 1991, which Braly said translates into about $110 million in lost billings and 420 lost jobs for one year. "Had the sales been made and had these production workers been building airplanes, they would have generated approximately $3.6 million in income to the federal government," Braly said. "These are just the Beech numbers. Our engine manufacturers did not build the engines. Our avionics manufacturers did not build the radios..." Instead, he said, the aircraft luxury tax generated about $65,000 during calendar 1991.

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1991 BUSINESS JET ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS

DATE	MODEL	DESCRIPTION	REGN	STATE	PHASE	PURP	FTL	DAM
91-01-11	L-25C	Crash during approach in heavy rain,IMC	PT-KKV	Brazil	App	Pass	5	D
02-06	MU-300	Swerved landing to avoid deer on runway	-	VA	Ldg	Pass	-	M
02-13	L-35A	Crash during steep turn on approach	N535PC	CO	App	Pass	3	D
02-14	G-II	Ran off runway landing, IMC conditions	N85EQ	OH	Ldg	Pass	-	S
02-16	CE-500	Failed to extend gear prior landing	N11HJ	U.K.	Ldg	Tra	-	S
02-18	DA-900	Uncontained engine failure during climb	N90EW	CO	Clb	Pass	-	M
02-23	1123	Overshot landing, main gear collapse	XA-POJ	FL	Ldg	Pass	-	S
03-01	CE-550	Left main ldg. gear collapsed landing	N1958N	GA	Ldg	Pass	-	M
03-04	L-35A	Veered off runway during landing	N136JP	OH	Ldg	Pass	-	M
03-16	HS-125-1A	Collided with mountain, night departure	N831LC	CA	Clb	Pass	10	D
03-18	CE-650	Cowling separation during flight	C-GCFP	IO	Cru	Pass	-	M
03-18	L-25D	Crash app. in IMC, no further information	PT-LLL	Brazil	Ldg	Pass	4	D
04-02	CE-500	Hard ldg., windshear, nose gear collapse	N101HB	CA	Ldg	Pass	-	M
04-08	1124	Swerve, runway departure during takeoff	N41WH	CO	TO	Pass	-	M
04-10	NA-265	Nose gear collapse ldg. Hyd. malf/failure	N71460	VA	Ldg	Pass	-	M
05-01	1124A	Ran off runway following hard ldg. in IMC	N445BL	CT	Ldg	Pass	-	S
05-04	CE-500	Insufficient rwy. for TO, late abort	PT-LOS	Brazil	TO	Pass	-	S
05-21	CE-550	Crash during landing,no other information	5N-AMR	Nigeria	Ldg	Pass	2	D
06-17	G-II	Hit mountainous terrain during approach	N204RC	Venez.	App	Pass	4	D
06-29	G-IV	Severe convective activity, dual eng.loss	5N-FGP	Nigeria	Cru	Pass	-	M
07-02	L-23	Ran off runway end during landing	N500FM	TN	Ldg	Crgo	-	S
07-22	L-23	Crash off departure end of rwy.during TO.	N959SC	MI	TO	Pass	3	D
08-05	L-25	Crashed on landing, no injuries reported	CP -	Paraguay	Ldg	Pass	-	S
09-04	G-II	Crash during descent for ldg., Malaysia	N204C	Malaysia	Desc	Pass	13	D
09-14	DA-20C	Overran rwy. in rain,high winds,wet rwy.	I-NLAE	Germany	Ldg	Pass	1	D
10-06	L-55C	Loss control ldg.Aircraft veered off rwy.	N555MX	Germany	Ldg	Pass	-	S
10-21	CL-600	Main cabin door separation during climb	N91UC	VA	Clb	Pass	-	M
11-19	NA-265	Jumped chocks during start,hit other acft	N61RH	CA	Pkd	Ferry	-	S
12-11	BE-400	Flew into mtn.,VFR departure in marg.wx.	N25BR	GA	Clb	Pass	9	D
12-23	L-25B	Landed long, runway overshoot	N -	CA	Ldg	Pass	-	S

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1991 BUSINESS TURBOPROP ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS

DATE	MODEL	DESCRIPTION	REGN	STATE	PHASE	PURP	FTL	DAM
91-01-11	BE-90F	Pwr.loss init.clb.,following eng.change	N311DS	TX	Clb	Ferry	-	S
01-11	BE-200	Hard landing in IMC, icing conditions	N200MR	MO	Ldg	EMS	-	S
01-14	BE-200	Fuel exhaustion, off airport landing	G-VPLC	U.K.	Ldg	Pass	-	S
01-30	BE-200	Hit snowbank on rwy side.IMC,low vis.app.	N30SE	PA	Ldg	Pass	-	S
02-01	BE-200	Engine cowl separation in flight	N5584M	IN	Desc	Pass	-	M
02-22	MU-2	Crash following steep turn on takeoff	N274MA	OK	TO	Test	3	D
03-13	BE-200	Rt. main gear collapsed during landing	G-SWFT	U.K.	Ldg	Pass	-	S
03-30	PA-31T	Nose gear collapsed landing	N308SC	AK	Ldg	Pass	-	S
05-04	BE-90F	Nose gear collapsed landing	N208RC	FL	Ldg	Pass	-	S
05-07	MU-2	Mid air during attempted night formation	N106MA	TX	Clb	Ferry	1	D
05-21	MU-2	Crash, circumstances unknown	F-GDHS	France	App	Pass	3	D
05-23	AC-690C	Partial flap sys. failure on approach	N81TR	CO	App	Ferry	-	N
05-29	G-159	Rt. main landing gear collapsed landing	EC-EIL	Spain	Ldg	EMS	-	S
06-17	BE-90	Gear up landing	N819P	WA	Ldg	Ferry	-	S
06-23	SA-227TT	Veered right landing, nose gear collapse	N13JV	MS	Ldg	Ferry	-	S
06-28	MU-2	Near miss at night on approach, hit water	N2CJ	CA	App	Pass	4	D
07-20	BE-90C	Parachute shrouds jammed in stabilizer	N9HW	OH	Maneu	Other	-	S
07-22	BE-200	Cowling door separated in flight	N770M	WI	Cru	Pass	-	M
09-08	MU-2K	Crash during TO, possible engine loss	N321ST	Cda	TO	Pass	3	D
09-20	MU-2B	Landed in field short of runway	N750QQ	OK	Ldg	Pass	-	M
09-22	PA-31T	Uncontrolled taxi into several aircraft	N 2FJ	NM	Txi	Train	-	S
09-27	MU-2	Propeller separation in flight	C-FFSS	NY	Cru	Cargo	-	S
10-01	KA-200	Rt. gear collapsed during landing roll	N 284K	IN	Ldg	Pass	-	M
10-05	AC690	Wreckage found in woods, unknown cause	N 3673X	FL	-	Other	1	D
10-12	BE-90	Crash, circumstances unknown	OB-1305	Peru	-	Pass	4	D
11-02	AC-690	Crashed, pilot incapacitation	N 799V	KS	Cru	Pass	2	D
11-23	KA-100	Hit trees on approach in marginal wx.	N 24169	MI	App	Pass	3	D
11-26	KA-200	Veered of runway during landing roll	N 783MC	NM	Ldg	Pass	-	S
12-03	SA-226T	Propellers hit runway during landing	N 14TP	IO	Ldg	Pass	-	S
12-06	MU-2	Rt. main gear collapsed during landing	N6569L	Cda	Ldg	Pass	-	S
12-13	PA-31T2	Uncontrolled descent from cruise	N 307SC	AK	Cru	Ferry	1	D

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1991 TWIN TURBINE HELICOPTER ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS

DATE	MODEL	DESCRIPTION	REGN	STATE	PHASE	PURP	FTL	DAM
91-01-07	AS-332M	Tail rotor failure, post mtnce. flight	-	Singapore	Cru	Test	4	D
01-26	MBB-117B1	Struck mtn. cruise. IMC, night (dark)	N891GM	PA	Cru	Ferry	4	D
02-10	BO-105CBS	Sank following precautionary eng.out ldg.	N5413D	AK	Ldg	Pass	-	D
02-24	BE-212	Pitched over during app.,ditched in ocean	5N-AJY	Nigeria	App	Pass	9	D
03-13	SA-330	Fell into sea during hover TO from oil rig	XC-	Mexico	TO	Pass	1	D
04-04	BE-412	Mid air with PA-600, crash in school yard	N78S	PA	Maneu	Pass	2	D
04-05	S-61N	Lost control, pitch up during water ldg.	ZS-HHN	Brazil	Ldg	Tra	-	S
04-25	B-212	Crashed during practice autorotation	SU-CAT	Egypt	Maneu	Tra	2	D
05-12	SA-332	Crash on approach to offshore tanker	VH-WOF	Australia	App	Ferry	-	D
06-17	S-76A	Crash during TO from platform in Gulf	N5418N	GM	TO	O.S.	-	S
06-27	S-64	Inadvertent power up,lift off, roll over	N6959R	WA	TO	Ext.Ld	-	S
07-01	BE-412	Power disconnect, autorotation, hard ldg.	N20703	CO	Cru	Pass	-	S
07-25	BO-105	Hit static wire on low level night patrol	N5EG	NV	Cru	Pass	5	D
08-05	AS-365N	Hit mountain, possible IMC conditions,fog	TU-	Japan	Cru	Pass	8	D
08-08	BE-412	Tail rotor disconnect T.O., water landing	N177EH	GM	TO	Pass	-	N
08-10	BE-212	Struck rig while maneuvering	LN-OSC	Norway	Maneu	Pass	3	D
08-13	BO-105LS	Collided with terrain during landing	N9737N	HI	Maneu	Pass	1	D
08-26	BE-412	Tail rotor/system malf/failure,crash app.	N3909F	GM	App	Pass	1	D
10-28	AS-355	Cowl opened in flight, hit main rotors	N 101UC	MT	Cru	EMS	-	S

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1991 SINGLE TURBINE HELICOPTER ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS

DATE	MODEL	DESCRIPTION	REGN	STATE	PHASE	PURP	FTL	DAM
91-01-19	B-206B3	Crash into Gulf of Mex. during VMC	N2269V	LA	Cru	O.S.	3	D
01-27	B-206L1	Crash off shore operating in marg.wx.	N39HC	LA	Cru	O.S.	2	D
01-31	SA-341G	Lost power shortly after takeoff	N341WC	FL	TO	Photo	-	D
02-13	B-206B	Mid air with other aircraft on takeoff	N2282T	CA	TO	Pass	-	D
02-16	B-206B	Crash lift off in white out conditions	N59568	AK	TO	Pass	-	S
02-22	B-206	Windshield penetrated by bird, cruise	N213AL	LA	Cru	Pass	-	M
02-22	FH-1100	Rolled over landing following vibration	N210FH	FL	Ldg	Photo	-	S
03-07	B-206	Crash in Gulf, no further information	-	GM	Cru	O.S.	-	D
03-07	B-206B2	Ext.strap fouled tail, during helo hoist	N59491	GM	Hvr	O.S.	1	S
03-08	B-206B	Fuel exhaustion cruise, water landing	N2072C	HI	Cru	Pass	-	D
03-11	H-369D	Power malf/failure, damaged autorotation	N1088L	OR	Cru	Pass	-	S
03-12	UH-1B	Tail rtr. malfunctioned TO, hard landing	N9687R	FL	TO	Aer.App.	-	S
03-27	H-369HS	Struck fence post with tail rotor landing	N5FC	MD	Ldg	Patrol	-	S
04-01	H-369C	Control malfunction TO, water landing	N9227F	N.Guinea	TO	Pass	-	D
04-03	B-206B	Float separation during flight, hit rotor	N16964	AK	Cru	Pass	-	S
04-07	H-500D	Hard landing, helicopter rolled over	N1109Q	NV	Ldg	Pass	-	S
04-23	B-206B	Crash during off shore operations	N213AL	GM	Cru	O.S.	2	D
05-05	H-369HS	Power malf/failure,hit trees autorotation	N9219F	HI	Ldg	Pass	-	S
05-06	B-206	Helo stolen, destroyed by ground impact	N49720	NV	Ldg	Other	-	D
05-07	B-206B3	Drive coupling failed,hit bldg.on descent	N717NH	TX	Desc	Pass	-	D
05-21	UH-1B	External sling load struck trees	N87966	AK	Maneu	Ext.Ld.	1	D
05-22	H-500	Ext.load broke loose in flt., struck tail	N5314D	AK	Maneu	App	-	S
05-22	UH-1B	Power loss during external load operation	N87729	AK	Maneu	Ext.Ld.	-	S
05-26	H-300	Pilot loss of control during hover	N7033H	CA	Hvr	Pass	-	S
05-28	B-206B2	Hard landing, practice autorotation	N90307	WA	Ldg	Tra	-	S
05-29	UH-1B	Collided with lake surface during low flt.	N9650N	GA	Cru	Pass	-	S
06-04	H-500	Power malf/loss,crash during autorotation	N415B	Greece	Cru	Ferry	-	S
06-05	H-500	Crash during operation in IMC	N18KJ	CA	TO	Ferry	-	D
06-06	B-206B	Fuel exhaustion, crashed on approach	N2120X	HI	App	Pass	-	S
06-13	AS-350D	Power loss/malf., crash in parking lot	N214LA	CA	Cru	Pass	3	D
06-17	B-206L3	Rolled off dolly during gust conditions	N306MP	FL	Static	Patrol	-	S
06-26	B-47Soloy	Power loss, autorotation into trees	N 7859S	WA	Maneu	Aer.App.	1	S
06-30	B-206L1	Hard ldg. on platform, tailboom failed	N2772A	GM	Ldg	Pass	-	S

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91-07-01	B-206B3	Hard landing at high elevation	N302MH	AK	Ldg	Pass	-	S
07-01	UH-1B	Power loss, crash during forced landing	N91348	WV	Ldg	Aer.App.	-	S
07-03	H-300	Impacted water during maneuvering	N58404	MI	Maneu	Pers	-	S
07-05	H-369D	Collided with terrain, VFR in IMC	N18KJ	CA	Maneu	Pers	-	S
07-08	B-206B	Power loss during aerial taxi to ramp	N333FC	FL	Taxi	Ferry	-	S
07-14	B-206B	Fuel exhaustion, damaged landing	N16962	TX	Cru	Ferry	-	S
07-22	B-206B	Collided with terrain while maneuvering	N276KA	WA	Maneu	Pass	-	S
07-24	AS-350B	Hard landing following engine loss	N766MP	HI	Maneu	Pass	-	S
07-26	B-206L1	Settled during external load operation	N87966	CA	Clb	Ext.Ld.	1	D
08-24	B-206L4	Hard ldng.during development flt. tests	N2770X	TX	Ldg	Test	-	S
08-28	AS-350B	Collided with terrain, night EMS flight	N64SF	OR	Cru	EMS	3	D
09-11	H-500	Power loss, crash during emergency ldg.	N29JV	AK	Cru	Ferry	-	S
10-06	B-206L1	Hard landing during practice autorotation	N78CF	FL	Ldg	Tra	-	S
10-11	H-500	Pilot allowed rotor RPM to decay	N9474	OR	Maneu	Other	-	D
10-14	AS-350	Landed hard following power loss in hover	N35961	HI	Hover	Pass	-	S
10-24	B-206L3	Hard landing, practice autorotation	N911KP	WA	Ldg	Pass	-	S
10-25	B-206B	Collided with tower, night, marg.wx, IMC	N3456M	CA	Cru	Pass	3	D
10-26	AS-350B	Hard ldg, hydraulic boost off approach	N9001S	AZ	Hvr	Tra	-	S
11-08	B-206	After TO, controls erratic/lost, crash	N5736B	UT	Clb	Ferry	1	D
11-16	H-500	Power loss, hover, autorotated to ldg.	N68RC	OR	Hover	Ext.Ld.	-	M
11-20	B-206B3	Collided with terrain night, marg.wx, IMC	N5011K	CA	Cru	Pass	3	D
11-27	SA-316B	Uncontrolled descent into ground	N146RM	CA	Cru	Pass	4	D
12-07	AS-350	Collided with tower, night, marg.wx, IMC	N	NC	Cru	Pass	3	D

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